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SUBJECT: FAO COUNCIL: SCALE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

FROM US DEL TO FAO COUNCIL

1. SUMMARY. COUNCIL ADOPTED FINANCE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL TO RECOMMEND SCALE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONFERENCE LOWERING U.S. ASSESSMENT FOR 1974-75 BIENNIUM TO 25 PERCENT.

2. FAO COUNCIL CONSIDERED SCALE OF CONTRIBUTIONS, 1974-75, ON NOVEMBER 7. CHAIRMAN FINANCE COMMITTEE AND SECRETARIAT PRESENTED PROPOSED SCALE OF CONTRIBUTIONS BASED ON UN SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1974-76 WHICH WOULD LOWER ASSESSMENT MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION (US) TO 25 PERCENT AND SET MINIMUM FOR 64 LDCS AT 0.02 PERCENT. POINTS RESULTING FROM INCLUSION PRC IN SCALE (7.03 PERCENT) SUFFICIENT TO REDUCE U.S. ASSESSMENT TO 25 PERCENT MAXIMUM LIMIT AND PROVIDE A FEW POINTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OTHER MEMBERS.

3. ARGENTINA MADE ONLY SERIOUS EFFORT TO REJECT SCALE, TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REPLACED BY UNIQUE SCALE TO BE DETERMINED WITHIN FAO WITH

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR LDCS. JAPAN DEPLORED DRASTIC CHANGE ITS ASSESSMENT SHARE, BUT ENDED UP SUPPORTING SCALE. OTHER DELEGATIONS (PHILIPPINES, FRG, INDONESIA, INDIA, PAKISTAN, CANADA) GAVE STRONG SUPPORT TO SCALE AND TO PRINCIPLE OF BASING FAO SCALE ON UN SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS. USDEL SAW NO NEED TO INTERVENE. SECRETARIAT ANSWERED QUESTION ASKED BY EGYPT, EXPLAINING USE OF PRC POINTS TO REDUCE CONTRIBUTIONS OF U.S. AND SOME OTHER DCS. CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT, DESPITE SOME RESERVATIONS, COUNCIL ADOPTED PROPOSAL.

4. COMMENT. SECRETARIAT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE WORK INVALUABLE IN PAVING WAY FOR SMOOTH HANDLING THIS ITEM. DEBATE NOTABLE FOR ABSENCE ANY CRITICISM REDUCTION OF U.S. SHARE. VOLPE

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